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In re Application of) Group Art Unit: 1635 Tremblay et al.) Examiner: James Shulz Serial No. 09/904,568) Docket No. 04780.00001 Filing Date: July 16, 2001

HCaRG, A Novel Calcium-Regulated Gene Coding for a Nuclear Protein

AMENDMENT

Assistant Director for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please consider the following amendment to place the claims in condition for allowance. Please charge any fee associated with filing this amendment to our Deposit Account Number 19-0733.

Appendix I is a marked up version of the claims to show the changes made. Appendix II is a clean version of the claims, following entry of the amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 3-5. Please amend claims 2, 6, 15, 16, 24, and 25. Please add new claims 30-58.